

KEITH KIMBALL: Thank you. My name is Keith Kimball. I'm the general manager of Barney Trucking out of Salina, Utah. We haul for both the Alton Coal Mine and the Sufco Coal Mine, and so we're very heavily involved with those. I just want to state that I agree with the senator and the congressman and the Governor's report that this is kind of a political game and for us it's quite real. We don't get to say time out and hold on and let's shut everything down while we make decisions at our company. We pretty much have to work on the fly, and you guys are bright folks, and we think you can do it on the fly as well without putting the moratorium on everything and slowing it down. That's what you're paid to do. That's what we get paid to do and we expect that. If we don't do it, they replace us. We know you can do it, and for us this is real. We wanted you to come to us, but we're more than happy to come to you because it is real. This is our kids. This is our livelihood. Most of us were raised down there and grew up there. Barney Trucking, we have about 530 employees. Not all of them are right there, but we have over 120 that work for hauling the coal at the Sufco Coal Mine. We have another 30 or so that are down at the Alton right now. We need to get up to about 50. Those jobs pay about \$200 plus a day, so they pay about over a thousand dollars a week, and our coal haulers are generally making between fifty and seventy thousand dollars a year, and those are good-paying jobs. When I was -- I went to school up here at Provo, and when I wanted to get back home, there were no jobs that paid well. I had to take a 30 percent pay cut just to find a job to go back home. And then after a few years I was able to get into the mining field and was able to get a good job and make some of that back up, but good jobs are hard to come by in those small towns, and not only good jobs, but we at the first of the school year donated thousands of dollars to all the schools without them even asking to support the programs, the academic programs, their sports programs. We have a scholarship program at Barney Trucking to send employees' children to school to help them. My kids were recipients of some of those as well. And, you know, when I lived up here, I couldn't wait to get home, and every time I drive back up to Salt Lake I think "I'm so glad I live right in the middle three power plants where I can breathe clean air" because I come up here and it's not the way. So we love where we live. We love the people we surround ourselves with, and it's the only way we get to stay is for these mines to keep running. You can't replace all those jobs. I deal with a lot of business owners that come to me and say, "Hey, without these

mines, we're out of here. We can't survive." These are shoe stores. These are recreation stores. These are clothing stores. They are like, "This job -- this mine has to be here or we're out of here," and it's hard enough to find a job. Those people that have created jobs, they'll be out of jobs as well. So please move forward. Let us have our leases. Let us have our lifestyle. Thank you.